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Dear Sir:

We are enclosing herewith a copy of the filing receipt for the above-identified patent application.

Please note that the enclosed filing receipt contains two errors. First, the third (3rd) applicant has inadvertently been omitted from the filing receipt. Therefore, please INSERT the THIRD applicant to read --KATSUMI ENDO, Kanagawa, Japan--. Also, the correct **Title** should read --ADAPTER DEVICE, MEMORY DEVICE AND INTEGRATED CIRCUIT CHIP--. Therefore, please delete the verbiage that reads "cross-reference to related applications".

Kindly issue a corrected filing receipt for the above-identified application as soon as possible.

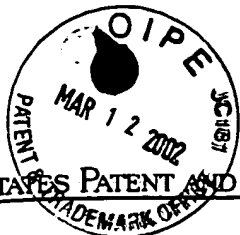
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Adapter device, memory device and integrated circuit chip ~~cross-reference to related applications~~

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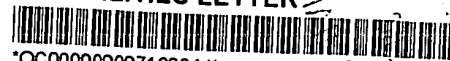
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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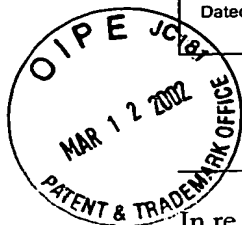
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